

From: [Sarah Tetlow](#)
To: [Atma](#); [Cc: pmc](#) **REDACTED** [Bert Franzen](#); [Yogasandhan](#); [Gurubhatka](#); [Kriyatma Saraswati](#)
Subject: Mangrove History & Facebook - message from Suryamitra
Date: Thursday, 20 March 2014 10:52:19 AM

Hari Om All

We have decided to shut down facebook due to legal reasons. We have been advised informally by a barrister (Kate, who is married to Gautam) who is working on the Salvation Army case that we should shut it down. We've also been sent a note by someone via SYTA that the comments on there amount to defamation and we should remove them. They are threatening to take it further if we don't.

So, I am going to remove any reference to these matters from our facebook site and block those who have been posting so that they don't come back and add some more comments. Yogasandhan is going to send them a message to say why.

I will also shut down the review function as that is the only way to get rid of the defamatory comments in the reviews - you can't delete them individually.

The contact that I forwarded yesterday, Terry O'Connell, has offered to come here and speak to the management group to give us advice on a path forward. That will probably happen at the beginning of April - I'm just waiting to hear back.

I am sending this from my gmail account because our ashram email is not working and I haven't received any emails since yesterday afternoon. Therefore, if you responded to me since then I haven't seen it.

Please reply to this address for the moment or call me (4377 1171 **REDACTED**)

Om
Suryamitra